

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

All of the claims have been allowed, subject to the resolution of certain formal matters.

Concerning the drawing objection (paragraph 1), the Examiner objected that the different pole pair structures of the first and second resolvers is not shown in the drawings. This is respectfully traversed, as different numbers of poles for the two resolvers are indicated in Fig. 5. For example, the first resolver is shown as having an output corresponding to 5 poles per rotation, whereas the second resolver is shown as having an output corresponding to 6 poles per rotation.

Concerning paragraph 2 of the Office Action, it is noted that a foreign application relied on to establish an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 119 may be incorporated by reference without restriction. MPEP § 608.01(p)(B). The objection to the specification is therefore also respectfully traversed. Concerning the objection (a) to the claims, it is noted that Claim 1 does indeed recite method steps. The claims have otherwise been amended in light of objections (b) and (c).

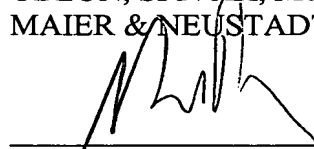
Concerning paragraph 3, it is respectfully submitted that amended Claims 1, 3, 5 and 7 are not substantial duplicates of one another. For example, Claim 1 is a method claim reciting method steps, whereas the other claims are apparatus claims. Claim 3 is directed to a setting device, whereas Claims 5 and 7 are directed to an electric power steering device. Between Claims 5 and 7, Claim 7 additionally recites a speed ratio calculation means and a parameter setting means. Accordingly, this objection is also respectfully traversed in light of the amended claims.

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Applicant therefore believes that the present application is in a condition for allowance and respectfully solicits an early notice of allowability.

Respectfully submitted,

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